Application for Sponsorship

Touch a Life

A child sponsorship ministry of the Final Frontiers Foundation, Inc.

I.D. _____

Personal Information on the child:	
Name:	
Josephine Shilwatso	
Name child is called by if different:	
None	
Birthday (d/m/y):	
January 10, 1992	
Nationality:	
Kenyan	
Country:	
Kenya, East Africa	
Town:	
Soy	
What is the child's current status?	
X Orphan	

AbandonedDestituteOther

Please write a story about how the child became orphaned or destitute or abandoned. (Make it as detailed as possible and use additional paper if necessary.)

Josephine is an Aids orphan, her father first died of Aids in 1998, and then her mother in just a few months also died of Aids, leaving behind 5 children. Their uncle, (Father's brother) being a Christian man and a pastor of Soy Bible Baptist Church took the children into him home, where they have lived ever since the death of their parents.

Pastor Thomas Ambani and his wife Margaret already had 8 children of their own. Which now brings the total to 13 children to care for. Because he is a small scale farmer he works very hard to feed his family and send the children to school. His biggest problem is getting enough money to send them to school so they can be properly educated.

The children live with the Ambani family and are very active in church and have good parental leadership. Their biggest need is help in going to school since the burden of educating 13 children is very heavy for Pastor Ambani.

Family Information:

Does the child have any natural brothers or sisters? Yes (If the answer is yes, please list their names and current ages.)

Name: Mary Sindavi Age: 17 years

Name: Elvis Musera Age: 12 Years

Name: Cylus Ambani Age: 10 Years

Name: Ruth Nasimiyu Age: 6 years

What is the child's eye color?

Brown

What is the child's hair color?

Black

What language(s) does the child speak?

English (some) Kiswahili and tribal Language Luhya

What are the typical foods eaten by the child?

Ugali (ground corn), rice, potatoes, & mean

What is the child's favorite color?

Blue

Has the child ever gone to school?

Yes

What is the last grade completed?

Seventh

Is the child currently attending school? If not, why not?

Yes

If the child has toys, what does he like the most?

The child has no toys and has never in her life had any.

What toys does the child wish to have?

She has none and her biggest wish is to be able to finish high school which is impossible without paying school fees.

What is the father's name?

Deceased, Adopted father, Rev. Thomas Ambani

What is the father's occupation and weekly salary?

None

What is the mother's name?

Deceased

What is the mother's occupation and weekly salary?

None

Describe the specific living conditions of the child in detail. List the child's material possessions.

The child has no possessions of her own, she lives with her uncle and he provides for her, food, and clothing, school uniform, and as many things as he can on the small amount funds he makes from his farm.

Describe the condition of the house and living area. (please include photographs)

The child lives in a small mud house with her adopted family and she sleeps in a small room with the other girls in the family. She does help out with farm chores. It is very hard to get pictures of the inside of the house since there are no windows and no electricity. Very dark in the room.

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Has the child accepted Christ as their personal Savior?

Yes, and very active in church

Does the child attend Sunday School regularly? If not, why not?

Yes, every week

What is the name of the church?

Soy Bible Baptist Church

What city is the church in?

Soy, Kenya

What is the pastor's name?

Rev. Thomas Ambani

Does the child have a favorite Bible story or verse?

John 3:16, she is very thankful for her salvation and the chance to know the Savior so that she will not die of Aids as her parents did.

Medical Information:

Does a doctor examine the child regularly?

No only when sick, there are no funds for checkups

Does the child have any physical or mental handicaps? (If yes, please explain.)

No

What is the child's height? 5 ft

weight? 104 pounds

Placement Information:

Where is the child now living? In her uncle's home

- Orphanage
- **X** Christian Home
- With their own family
- Other (please explain)

Financial Accountability:

Will the child be willing to acknowledge (when asked in person or in writing) that they receive financial support from Final Frontiers Foundation / Touch a Life?

Yes

Will an adult be appointed to help the child to complete the letters, which will be given to the sponsor?

Yes

Who?

Her Uncle & Aunt

Christian Home Information:

(Complete these questions only if the child has been placed in the home of a Christian family.)

What is the name of this family?

Rev. Thomas & Margaret Ambani

Where does this family live?

Soy, Kenya

Of what materials is their house made?

Mud and a iron sheet (tin) roof – the church is in the process of building them a home made of homemade bricks.

How many rooms does it have?

3

What is the occupation of the father?

Pastor & farmer

Are the husband and wife both Christians?

Yes

Are they church members in good standing?

Yes (Pastor of church)

Summary:

If you would like to give us any information other than what was asked, please do so here.

Their parents died of Aids in 1998 and the children are very bright and do well in school but it is so very difficult for pastor to educate so many. He really tries but just keeping them dressed and living them a place to live is hard for him and takes all the funds he makes. His desire is to see them turn into good Christians adults that will be of help to others who have lost there parents to Aids as well. There are so many.

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